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**ESTIMATED U.S. LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTER UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
FOR WEEK ENDING 18-Aug-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	CURRENT WEEK 08/18/01	PREVIOUS WEEK 08/11/01
BRO-FRY	163,764	160,573
LT HENS	1,854	1,653
HVY HENS	1,478	1,536

**U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN CANADA
WEEKS ENDING 11-AUG-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	239	0	239
LAST WEEK	336	12	348
SAME WK YR AGO	352	31	383
TO DATE 2001	14,493	219	14,712
TO DATE 2000	15,538	381	15,919

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SOURCE: AGRICULTURE CANADA, POULTRY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

TOTAL U.S. FOWL SLAUGHTERED IN THE U.S. AND CANADA

	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL
HEAD	1,810	1,513	3,323
LAST WEEK	1,933	1,524	3,457
SAME WK YR AGO	2,316	1,780	4,096
TO DATE 2001	70,934	44,117	115,051
TO DATE 2000	78,123	46,302	124,425

**LIVE POULTRY SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION
WEEK ENDING 11-Aug-01 (THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG CHICKENS	LIGHT HENS	HEAVY HENS	TOTAL HENS
HEAD	157,545 (A)	1,571	1,513	3,084
AVG WT	4.90	3.49	7.87	5.64
LAST WEEK	156,964	1,597	1,512	3,109
SAME WEEK YR AGO	159,036	1,964	1,749	3,713
AVG WT	5.01	3.43	7.83	5.50
TO-DATE/2001	4,899,707	56,441	43,898	100,339
TO-DATE/2000	4,952,528	62,585	45,921	108,506

(A) The estimated number of fryers available for marketing based on the 2-week revised average chick placements 6 to 7 weeks earlier was 159.2 million head. Estimated U.S. slaughter for this period 159.5 million head or 0.3 million head less than or 99 percent of estimated fryers available.

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**YOUNG CHICKENS SLAUGHTERED UNDER FEDERAL INSPECTION,
CLASSIFIED BY LIVE WEIGHT, WEEK ENDING August 4, 2001**

(A) FAST FOOD/FOOD SERVICE	(B) RETAIL	(C) DEBONING
4.20 LBS & DOWN	4.21-5.25 LBS	5.26 LBS & UP
-----THOUSANDS-----		

HEAD	31,686	34,132	42,473
AVG WEIGHT	3.75	4.70	5.96
% OF TOTAL /1	29%	32%	39%
COMPARISONS			
LAST WEEK	31,840	30,647	40,955
AVG WEIGHT	3.79	4.79	6.00
% OF TOTAL /1	31%	30%	40%
 SAME WEEK, YR AGO /2	 27,507	 40,081	 36,292
AVG WEIGHT	3.80	4.78	6.04
% OF TOTAL /1	26%	39%	35%
 TO DATE/2001	 1,010,679	 843,349	 1,374,141
TO DATE/2000	1,021,921	1,024,727	1,267,987

/1 MAY NOT TOTAL TO 100% DUE TO ROUNDING

/2 COMPARABLE WEEK

- (A) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the fast food and food service industries. May also include Cornish hens.
- (B) This weight class generally denotes chickens marketed in the retail industry.
- (C) This weight class generally denotes chickens used in further processing. May also include heavy roasters sold in retail channels.

**LIVE TURKEYS SLAUGHTERED WEEK ENDING 11-Aug-01
(THOUSAND HEAD)**

	YOUNG (B) HENS	TOMS	YOUNG BREEDERS	OLD BREEDERS	TOTAL
HEAD	2,141	2,940	26	11	5,118
AVG WT	15.30	33.08	24.15	33.82	25.59
HEAD SLTR COMPARISONS					
LAST WEEK	2,091	2,985	82	14	5,172
SAME WEEK YR AGO	2,317 (B)	2,973	35	2	5,327
AVG WT	15.23 (B)	30.58	24.73	22.37	23.86
TO-DATE/2001	64,135 (B)	86,099	1,287	386	151,907
TO-DATE/2000	149,785 (B)		665	901	151,351

(B) Comparable data not available for last year, this data is comprised of hens and toms.

SOURCE: USDA/AMS POULTRY PROGRAMS, MARKET NEWS BRANCH.
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